

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

MASUDA et al

Atty. Ref.: 380-46; Confirmation No.

Appl. No. To be Assigned

Group:

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Examiner:

For: CATALYST FOR PRODUCTION OF A POLYURETHANE RESIN AND  
METHOD FOR PRODUCING A POLYURETHANE RESIN

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January 15, 2004

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

In order to place the above-identified application in better condition for  
examination, please amend the application as follows: